

House File 409 - Introduced

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BY BEARINGER

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the payment of court costs and other
- 2 court-related fees by a city or county.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 602.8109, subsection 1, Code 2017, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 1. A city or a county shall have the option to pay court
4 costs and other fees payable to the clerk of the district
5 court for services rendered ~~upon receipt of a statement from~~
6 ~~the clerk disclosing the amount due.~~ upon any of the following
7 occurrences:

8 a. Upon the filing of a civil or criminal action or the
9 rendering of court services that require the payment of a fee
10 or costs.

11 b. Upon receipt of a statement from the clerk disclosing the
12 amount due.

13 c. Upon entry of judgment in a civil or criminal case in
14 district court if the city or county does not prevail in the
15 civil or criminal case.

16 EXPLANATION

17 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
18 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

19 This bill concerns the payment of court fees and other fees
20 to the clerk of the district court by a city or county.

21 The bill provides a city or county with the option to pay
22 court costs or fees when the court filing requiring the payment
23 occurs, upon receipt of a statement from the clerk disclosing
24 the amount due, or upon adjudication of the civil or criminal
25 case in district court if the city or county does not prevail
26 in the civil or criminal case. Current law provides that
27 payment shall be made upon receipt of a statement from the
28 clerk of the district court.